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THE HIGGINS TRIAL.

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE TRAGEDY TOLD

The Taking of Evidence Closed at Two O'Clock This Afternoon—The Arguments Opened.

This great trial, which has been in progress since last Monday afternoon, is drawing to a close, the evidence is all in, the arguments are being made and the probability is that the case will be given to the jury to-night. The verdict is awaited with extraordinary interest, not only in Pettis county, but throughout the state.

Abe Shipley, who formerly followed putting up pumps and windmills in Pettis county and who has recently been engaged in mining and prospecting out in Kansas, was on the train; he was the first passenger to enter; just after the train had started, Price came in, walked down the aisle, threw his overcoat across the seat and sat down immediately in front of the witness and just behind that occupied by Higgins. When near Gentry station he overheard some excited conversation between Price and Higgins, and then he saw Price rise to his feet and grab Higgins by the back of the neck with his left hand; then I heard the shot; I said to myself, I guess I'll let you fight it out, and kept my seat; Price remarked, "I guess I am shot." The cross examination of Shipley was quite severe and it was disclosed that he was solicited by defendant to come from Kansas, after which he was subpoenaed; his expenses from Kansas to Missouri were paid by defendant.

John Harris, colored, testified that he was a passenger on the train.

He overheard a conversation between Price and Higgins, but quite indistinctly. The word Buckner or Buckley was mentioned, he did not know which. He saw Price rise up and jam the judge down in the seat. Then the shot was fired.

Dr. T. A. Smith, of Houstonia, told how, on the evening of November 6, 1890, in response to a telegram, he had met Colonel Price at the train, found him wounded and waited on him. He administered several injections of sulphate of opium. The patient vomited a good deal. Colonel Price made a will just previous to the operation, being assured by me that he would die. The witness testified that he had prescribed for Judge Higgins some weeks before, and that several days after the tragedy he called upon Higgins and found him suffering with a stiff neck, on which he discovered a discolored spot.

Dr. W. J. Ferguson described in the testimony the course the bullet had taken.

Joseph W. Myers, a young man who lives about three miles from this city, was placed on the stand. He was examined in regard to a statement he had heard Price utter. His testimony was as follows: "I was at work on a bridge south of Georgetown when I heard of the difficulty between Price and Higgins. I was in Sedalia on the forenoon of the day Mr. Price was shot. I saw Mr. Price in Mr. Longan's office that day. He was talking about John Higgins and I heard him say: 'G—d d—n him. There wasn't any man about him nor any of the Higgins outfit with the exception of Pope.'"

It was late in the afternoon when Judge John P. Higgins, the defendant, was put on the stand. Especial interest was taken in this part of the proceedings and the Judge's vivid recital of the tragedy, and the events leading up to it, was eagerly listened to. The defendant stated that he was born in Virginia, is 51 years old, and resides 4 miles southwest of Houstonia. On the morning of November 6, 1890, he hurriedly left his home for Houstonia, traveling on horseback. By the time he reached town the train was due and he did not have time to put his horse in the livery stable. Upon reaching Sedalia he went at once to the court house and, as one of the judges, attended a session of the county court. In regard to the pistol, he stated that he had had it in his overcoat pocket, while walking about his farm November 5, and when he started for Houstonia it was still there, not having been taken out the previous night. He did not know he was carrying the weapon until some considerable time after he had left home. Upon entering the county court room, he hung his overcoat, and, sitting in the close proximity of the witness, he saw Price rise to his feet and grab Higgins by the back of the neck with his left hand; then I heard the shot; I said to myself, I guess I'll let you fight it out, and kept my seat; Price remarked, "I guess I am shot." The cross examination of Shipley was quite severe and it was disclosed that he was solicited by defendant to come from Kansas, after which he was subpoenaed; his expenses from Kansas to Missouri were paid by defendant.

room. At noon the court adjourned and without taking his overcoat along, he went to Hotel Kaiser and ate dinner. He attended the afternoon session of the court and he and Colonel Price happened to pass each other. They spoke to each other, passing the compliments of the day. Court had not adjourned when he left for the evening train, going to Houstonia. He went down Ohio street, turned westward down Second to Osage and thence to the depot, chatting briefly with various acquaintances whom he chanced to meet on the way. On the platform I met Dave Williams. I entered the train from the north side having gone around the rear end. I stopped on the platform a little while before getting aboard. There were several people in the car when I entered. I saw Joe Scott, Joe Longan, George Gregg, E. C. Gibson, J. B. Stuart, Alva Gregg, Abe Shipley and two others whom I do not know. I sat down in the seat occupied by Mr. Stuart. I had seen Mr. Price at the court house during the day. We had spoken to each other, simply passing the time of day. I did not know he was on the train nor did I know he was going up home that evening. The first I knew of his presence was when he spoke to the man sitting beside me.

"After Mr. Price had talked to Mr. Stuart awhile he said to me:

"Judge, what did you fellows do in regard to our bridge up there?"

"I turned partly around and said, 'We made an appropriation for it and three or four others.'"

"Well," he said, "we didn't tell any lies on you."

"No," I replied, "I never accused you of lying about me, but that is more than I can say for some others."

"I can tell you what I have against you," said he, "you did not do what you agreed to in the Buckner matter."

"I told him I did. That I had written a letter to Pope Higgins. He said I had not. I said I had."

"Yes," said he, "if you wrote him a letter you did everything to keep it from being allowed."

(Buckner was an attorney of Sweet Springs and prior to his death Price's lawyer. Price had paid him a retainer on a case and when Buckner died sought to recover the money from the estate for which Judge Higgins and his father, Col. Higgins, were executors.)

"I told him that that part of it was all right; then he struck me on the back of the neck with his fist or open hand, took me around the neck with both hands and crowded me down into the seat and churned me. He had my head crushed down on the seat; when I went over against the seat the man who was sitting with me was not there; I tried to get loose but could not; I was partly turned in my seat; I put my hand in my overcoat pocket and being unable to draw the pistol, shoved it around in front of me and with my left hand raised the barrel and fired. I could not see Mr. Price; he was behind me and on me."

Here Judge Higgins described the scene for the jury, using chairs to represent the cars, Mr. Lamm and Mr. Barnett, for the purpose of the demonstration, taking Mr. Price's and his place. He placed the lawyers in the position in which the men were, as he said, in the affray. Mr. Higgins said the weapon used was a .38-calibre Smith & Wesson self-acting revolver, and it had been in his possession about eight years.

"I shot Mr. Price to get him off of me," he said.

Continuing, Judge Higgins said: "Price released his hold on my neck and grasped me by the right arm; I still held the revolver in both hands. He said:

"Johnnie, you have shot me."

"Then let go of me," said I.

"Give up your pistol," he answered.

"I will not do it," I replied.

"Mr. Scott came up then and took hold of the pistol between my hands. When Mr. Price had hold of me I feared he would hammer my head against the side of the car; the assault on me made my neck stiff and sore for about a month after."

Judge Ryland intended to hold a session last night, but Jurymen Wm. R. Robinson was taken sick and this prevented further proceedings for the day.

At 10:25 o'clock this morning trial was resumed, Mr. Robinson, the sick juror, being able to sit in his chair, in which was placed a pillow and bed quilt.

Higgins cross-examined: My purpose, in shooting, was that my shot should take effect. I shot to kill. At home, after difficulty, I put a cloth saturated with liniment

around my throat. Am a married man. Have five children, one less than a year old; oldest is about 13 years old. Saw Dempsy Brown in court house in Sedalia three or four times on November 6; did not have overcoat on at 3 p. m. that day. I did have conversation in court house hall with Brown in afternoon about bridges. Did not have on my overcoat then, nor did I have my hand in my overcoat pocket then. (Overcoat that Higgins wore on November 6th shown to jury. It was a light gray coat.)

Lynch Black testifies: "Have known Judge Higgins some time. Saw him second day after difficulty and often after that up to the present time. Noticed that he held his head forward. Remained in this condition about six weeks after the difficulty."

Cross examination: Did not examine the cause why Higgins held his head that way.

Frank Ferguson: Live near Higgins; saw him first after difficulty on day following, at Houstonia; saw him again after his second trip to Sedalia, a day later; sat with him in car going from Sedalia to Houstonia; saw him at various times after that; he was suffering from an injury and carrying himself as a man would suffering with his shoulder and neck; remained in this condition until the early part of January, though got better somewhat. Had seen Higgins prior to difficulty; did not carry himself so then.

Frank Hayman: Saw Higgins on November 6; I noticed he carried his head and neck very stiff; when he spoke to any one he turned his whole body. Never noticed anything of this kind in him prior to November 6.

Joseph Scott: Higgins did not have overcoat on as he and I went to train. He put it on just on south side of track. I assisted him to put it on.

W. H. Reed: Reside in Sedalia. Prior to coming to Sedalia resided at Sweet Springs. Knew Price. Did not know Higgins then. Saw Price on day of difficulty, in Bazar office, and other places. Saw him in morning and afternoon. Lexington branch left at 4:30. I parted from Price at 4 p. m. I had conversation with Price as to Higgins. I think I brought up conversation, I being a republican, by saying that they had treated Higgins rather badly by not re-nominating him. Price said Higgins ought to have been beaten, that he was unworthy, that he had lied. I think Price used oaths in this talk. His manner and enunciation were rather emphatic. His complexion was very red on this occasion—unusually so. My conclusion was that Price had been drinking some.

[At this point there was a spirited and lengthy discussion as to the admissibility of Mr. Reed's testimony in reference to the conversation between himself and Colonel Price. The prosecution's objection was sustained.]

After some brief rebuttal evidence the taking of evidence was closed and preparations made for arguing the case.

After reading the court's instructions, the arguments were begun, Hon. W. D. Steele leading off for the state. The court room is crowded, many ladies attending.

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New Savings Association.

Papers of incorporation were filed in the county recorder's office today by the Midland Savings and Loan Association. The company has a capital stock of \$1,000,000, divided into 10,000 shares at \$100 each. The incorporators are J. N. Dalby, John H. Bothwell, Mary J. Jaynes, B. W. Zimmerman, H. C. Demuth, E. C. Mason, John D. Crawford, James Glass, Z. F. Bailey and H. G. Clark. The company will do a national business and promises to become one of our most flourishing institutions.

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HOUSE COMMITTEES.

SEVERAL CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIPS PROPOSED.

The House Will Adjourn on Next Wednesday to January 3th, 1892.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—In the house this morning a resolution was presented by Mr. McMillin, providing that when the house adjourned on Wednesday next it be to meet on Tuesday, January 5, 1892. Resolution was agreed to. Mr. McMillin also presented from the committee on rules a report fixing the membership of the house committees. The report makes several changes in the membership of committees. It increases the ways and means committee from 13 to 15 and also increases the committee on immigration and the Columbian exposition. The other committees remain as before with the exception of that on depredations, which is abolished. The committee on commerce is changed in title to the committee on inter-state and foreign commerce. The report also provides for several select committees, among them one on reform in the civil service.

Mr. McMillin made a few remarks in explanation of the report and it was adopted. Mr. Enloe of Tenn. presented a resolution making the charges of fraud in the pension office, and providing for a select committee to investigate the same. The resolution was referred to the committee on rules. Then Mr. Catchings moved that when the house adjourned it would be to meet on Wednesday next, and asked unanimous consent that that day no business shall be transacted except pertaining to holidays recesses. This was agreed to. Mr. Chairman then announced to the house the death in April last of Congressman Melvin H. Ford of Michigan, and the house then adjourned to 2:20 p. m.

CRISP'S PLAN.

NORTHERN MEN TO HEAD IMPORTANT COMMITTEES.

Report that the Ways and Means had Been Offered Mills Denied.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Speaker Crisp's plan to put northern men at the head of the ways and means committee and the appropriation committee is meeting with considerable opposition. He has been labored with by its opponents but apparently to no effect, for it is stated emphatically, by those who are in the Speaker's confidence, that Mr. Crisp had not deviated from his original intention in regard to those chairmanships. At least two prominent southern senators labored for some time with Crisp yesterday in order to induce him not to appoint northern men, but their visit was not sufficient to induce Crisp to change his mind. No foundation seems to be had for the statements that Mr. Mills would be offered the ways and means committee under pledge not to subjoin any general tariff bill.

AFTER THE POLICE.

Four Bombs in a Police Station in Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—Clichy, a northern suburb of Paris, was thrown into a state of great excitement today by the discovery of four bombs in the police station there. Fuses attached to bombs had been ignited but the fire had been extinguished before reaching the explosives with which the bombs were filled.

First Colored Priest Ordained.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 19.—The cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul was crowded this morning with representatives of Catholic clergy and laity who had assembled to witness the ordination of the first colored priest in the United States. Cardinal Gibbons officiated. The new priest, Charles R. Uncles, is a light colored quadroon and was born in this city thirty years ago. He will say first mass on Christmas morning, and early in the new year will be assigned to special work among his race.

Disastrous Fire.

SING SING, N. Y., Dec. 19.—A disastrous fire started to-day in Croton on the Hudson river. Four houses were quickly involved in flames and a telephone message received here says that the entire village is threatened with destruction. Assistance has been asked for and engines have been sent from here to assist in saving the village.

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Gresham Threatens to Resign Because of Judge Woods' Appointment.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 19.—The Times this morning says: "Judge Gresham is said to be disgusted with the selection of Judge Woods as circuit judge, and gossip says that if the nomination is confirmed, Gresham may resign. It is claimed that President Harrison's action is looked upon as a personal insult to Gresham."

Said a friend of Gresham, a man whose voice was heard in the last republican convention: "I have reason to believe Judge Gresham will never serve on the circuit bench with Judge Woods. He will resign first. Should the Indiana man be confirmed, Judge Gresham will take it as a personal insult from President Harrison and the republican party, and if Harrison is re-nominated he will quit the bench, and perhaps before if that event becomes possible."

It is claimed that a general conference of party wire pullers from all parts of the country held a caucus in Chicago yesterday. Gresham is said to have received a boom and may be a strong candidate for the presidential nomination. It is said the fight between Blaine and Harrison daily becomes more bitter, rendering the selection of a compromise candidate like Gresham possible. Judge Gresham refuses to be interviewed.

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A Rising Young Lawyer. Albert Gardner, formerly with the law firm of Jackson & Montgomery, is rapidly coming to the front, as a lawyer in Joplin, Mo. He is connected with the most prominent law firm in that city and is securing a good portion of both fame and money.

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"I would earnestly advise them for their good to order this paper to be punctually served up and to be looked upon as a part of the tea equipage."—ADDISON.

EVERY democrat in Sedalia should join the Democratic Club.

DEMOCRATS, see to it that your party be thoroughly organized in Sedalia.

EVERY voter who believes in democratic principles should assist in disseminating that doctrine. Join the Democratic Club.

HON. U. S. HALL will contest with Hon. C. H. Mansur for the congressional nomination in the second district. The race will be lively one from start to finish.

THE cost of the pursuit and capture of one escaped prisoner might exceed several months' interest on the cost of a jail. It is wise to "lock the stable door before the horse is stolen."

THE Mexico Ledger gives this good advice: "The democrats, when they feel like abusing somebody, should turn their attention to the republicans and stop abusing each other."

SOME of Judge Norton's admirers are endeavoring to induce him to enter the contest for the gubernatorial nomination, but it is not at all probable that the distinguished gentleman will be a candidate.

SEDALIA will, on December 29th, vote on the proposition to incur a \$35,000 indebtedness for building a jail. Pettis being a good, moral county has practically been jailless for years, and we hope will have little use for the new one.—Marshall Democrat-News.

Sedalia is by her jail like the Texas man was by his pistol. When she needs one at all she needs a good one.

THE St. Joseph Jefferson Club has adopted resolutions condemning Congressman Wilson for supporting Crisp instead of Mills for Speaker. The resolutions would have been more effective if they had been adopted before the caucus was held and thus given to the congressman as instructions.

THE esteemed Mexico Ledger thinks "no kite-shaped track will be built at Sedalia." All of which goes to show that even a bright journalist makes bad blunders when he attempts the role of prophet. In all probability Bob White will be losing his money on the Sedalia kite track next fall.

IT remained for Ben Harrison, the smallest possible president, to reward political "hustlers" with cabinet positions. Probably there is not a sincere republican in the country who will claim that Steve Atkins ever accomplished anything that would entitle him to the honor that has been conferred upon him.

THE esteemed Sentinel desires to know upon what this paper bases its claim as successor of the old Democrat. The Democrat takes pleasure in furnishing the desired information. The Gazette became the successor of the old Democrat by purchase, and this paper, in turn, purchased the title, with all that title carries, from the Gazette.

THE Filley and anti-Filley fight is again breaking out in the republican league of the state. It is charged that the anti-Filley crowd schemed to pack the meeting to be held in this city on February 12th in the interest of Harrison and against "de old man," but somehow the plan did not work and it was found that with the St. Louis boss left out the enthusiasm had all evaporated; so that when the great

secret conference was held preparatory to attending Filley's funeral, only five of the twenty-eight members of the executive committee were present and despondency characterized all the proceedings of the meeting. The "committee," however, decided to hold the state meeting in this city on February 12th, and it is probable that the Filley faction will be on hand with a full stock of "harmony."

REPUBLICAN journals need not worry themselves about the future of Roger Q. Mills. A very large majority of the voters of this country greatly admire the gifted Texan and there are high honors in store for him. He can remain in the house as the leader of his party on a great question, or he can represent the Lone Star state in the senate.

THE DEMOCRAT appreciates the kind reception it has met with at the hands of its local contemporaries and hopes to retain their friendship and good opinion. It is not the purpose of this paper to tear down or injure anyone, but the DEMOCRAT does hope to make for itself a place in the hearts and the homes of the people of Sedalia and Pettis county.

THE DEMOCRAT is very proud of the young ladies who constitute the Girls' club, and hopes to see Sedalians liberally assist them in their proposed undertaking to supply gifts to those children whose parents are so unfortunate that Christmas gifts and Christmas dinners are almost or entirely out of their reach. It is not often that the fair young ladies of a city band together for works of love and kindness. Such things are left to the matrons. But Sedalia is different from all other towns, and Sedalia's dear girls are incomparably superior to all other girls, God bless them, and their work will bring benefits to them which will follow them all the days of their lives.

THE NEW JAIL.

THE DEMOCRAT does not approve of wasteful expenditure of public money, but favors at all times rigid and wise economy.

But public money, like private funds, should be spent with discretion and wisdom.

When the need for a public improvement exists, it is the part of wisdom to supply that need and it is real economy to supply it with the best attainable.

Pettis county does need a new jail, and it is economy to build one large enough and substantial enough to serve its purposes for a long term of years.

It is economy, too, to provide a prison with all necessary safeguards against escape, and with facilities for working prisoners.

The sum proposed with which to make this needed improvement is none too large and the enterprising people of Pettis county will vote it by an overwhelming majority.

AMUSEMENTS.

The World Against Her.

This drama met with a hearty reception last night, and proved quite satisfactory in the manner of its rendition. It is a popular play, and is in fairly capable hands.

Dan McGinty's Troubles.

The week closes with the mirth-provoking comedy, and the ridiculous situations would make a spine laugh. From the gossip on the streets a big crowd may be expected at Wood's to-night and a good time result.

Rentfrow's Musical Comedy Co.

Next week will be one of rejoicing, and the amusements at Wood's all betoken a gay time. The week opens on Tuesday night with Rentfrow's, the company presenting Sweet's comedy success, "Below Zero." Music and comedy combined always draw well.

Barlow Brothers' Minstrels.

Christmas day and Christmas night is to be celebrated at Wood's by a matinee and night performance by Barlows'. This company is popular wherever known, and will make Christmas a gala day. A minstrel show without a parade would be a queer affair, and this is no exception. So watch for it. Barlows' are getting excellent press notices.

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SEDALIA PAPERS.

A SHORT SKETCH OF VARIOUS JOURNALISTIC VENTURES.

The Untiring Efforts to Establish the "Long Needed" Paper, and Many Failures Recorded.

Journalism is remarkable for the Micawber-like assurance of its followers and the fact that someone is always ready to risk his last dollar in establishing the "long-needed" newspaper conducted upon a plan peculiar to himself, and for which the people have been clamoring. Experience, however, is usually not slow in showing that literary brains and business brains are most often separate and distinct, and that prosperity is secured to the extent of successfully combining the two. The pen capable of an editorial philippic can seldom write the balance on the right side of the ledger.

The newspaper ventures in Sedalia have been many and their failure have been a practical demonstration of what is said above. Several lived through many years of usefulness and prosperity, but a total collapse of the editor's pocket—a kind of galloping consumption—was the unhappy end of the great majority. It is difficult to get a complete list of the different papers, the "oldest inhabitants" being very uncertain as to exact dates.

The pioneer newspaper of Sedalia was the *The Pacific Enterprise*, started in 1863, with W. P. Baker as editor and proprietor. The first office was in the bar of the old Cloney, Crawford & Co. building, corner of Main and Kentucky. In those times, editors were often disciples of Isaac Walton, and Baker must have been one of them, as the paper sometimes missed publication. Lack of patronage caused its suspension in July, 1864.

Lingle Bros., now of the Clinton Democrat commenced the *Sedalia Advertiser* in August, 1864. It was democratic in politics, 22x32 in size, and experienced much trouble in appearing regularly on account of marauding troops cutting off supplies by tearing up the track of the Missouri Pacific railway. P. G. Stafford and James G. Magann purchased the *Advertiser* plant, made it republican in politics and in March, 1865, issued it as the *The Sedalia Weekly Times*. The paper was enlarged and in 1866 Mr. Stafford retired, to be succeeded by Perry Hawes. In March, 1868, Gen. Bacon Montgomery took Magann's place and remained until February, 1869. Shortly afterwards, J. M. Godman, F. A. and A. J. Sampson, the latter, now United States consul at Jaurez, Mexico, bought the paper and enlarged it. C. M. Walker, fifth auditor of the treasury during the war, purchased the property in about a year and conducted the business with varying fortune until June, 1872, when the paper reverted to its former owners. Walker was one of the most intelligent journalists ever in the city. His editorials were polished and comprehensive, but somewhat too heavy and Johnsonese to be popular. In 1873 Cephas A. Leach assumed Godman's interest and was made business manager and editor-in-chief. The *Daily Times* was begun in 1872 and took a vigorous part in the campaign. The paper's name was changed in 1882 to the *Eagle-Times*, and under the management of Sloan Bros. & Kimball continued for nine months when it went to the wall. The *Times* is the landmark of republican journalism in Sedalia. Though not as strong as its rival, the *Democrat*, yet it wielded much influence in shaping the political issues of this and surrounding counties.

In the spring of 1866, Lingle Bros. placed Dr. Logan Clark in editorial charge of the *Independent Press*, a democratic weekly. The office was burned in the fire of Nov. 6, 1868, and their prosperity came to an end, owing to an inability to secure their insurance. Perhaps the best real estate journal ever in the city was the *Sedalia Advertiser*, a monthly, edited by Clark & Byler, Cotton Bros. and W. A. Reese, in 1866-7. The city derived much benefit from its advertising.

On January 3, 1868, the *Sedalia Democrat*, whose life of usefulness covered a period of twenty years, made its appearance with Dr. A. Y. Hull, editor and business manager; John M. Sneed, president; Geo. Heard, treasurer; O. A. Crandall, secretary, and A. C. Marvin, G. R. Lingle, A. Y. Hull, John M. Sneed, J. P. Thatcher and W. F. White, directors. A morning daily was commenced December 19, 1871, and continued to the end, save a short time in 1872, when it appeared as an afternoon paper. In its prime, the *Democrat* was a power in Missouri. Those were the days when John N. Edwards was writing

of love and tears with all the sweet pathos of a Dickens, while in another column was the political "leader," keen as a Toledo blade, contrasting the brilliancies of his wonderful pen. With and around him at different times were Bacon Montgomery, Rob't. Yost, now of the St. Louis Republic; H. W. Plattenburg, Ed. Burrows, Frank McElroy and many others, all men of particular merit and reputation. Toward the last, the paper suffered through mismanagement. In May, 1888, Hon. Mike McGrath, assumed control; but the star of destiny had set and on October 31 the paper was discontinued, not, however, until much of its publishers' ready cash had been disposed of.

On June 1, 1869, before the animal was born that grew the pelt for his white hat, J. West Goodwin started *The Sedalia Bazaar*. The daily was commenced in the fall of that year and the paper has had an uninterrupted existence ever since. It has generally been independent in politics. W. H. Mugford became closer identified with the *Bazaar*, perhaps, than any other writer upon its staff. He was a forcible writer on local topics and a poet much above the rambling hack work of newspaper life. He is now quietly asleep in that white city of the dead north of town.

A Liberal organ, *The Sedalia Daily Republican*, edited by Champion Vaughn, was established Oct. 12, 1870, by the Republican Press Co. It was started for political purposes and ended with the campaign.

Magann's Opinion, in 1872, was the outgrowth of a real estate monthly. It was a Republican organ, taking a vigorous part in politics and was issued for a short time as a daily. It was short-lived.

The irrepressible H. Martin Williams was editorially engaged in Sedalia for a year or more during the latter part of the "seventies" on a greenback paper, the *Saturday Evening Call*. It lived about two years.

The *Journal*, the first and only German paper in Sedalia, has always done well, having but little competition and a large German support. It was founded May 25, 1877, by Fred L. Wessel, as a democratic organ. B. Rauch shortly afterwards purchased an interest and in the fall of 1877 the politics were made R-publican. Aug. J. Schneider & Bro. bought the paper from Rauch in 1881 and in the latter part of the year Chas. Botz took the place of Chas. Schneider.

The *Boonville Eagle*, founded 1865 by Milo Blair, was moved by this gentleman to Sedalia in 1878 and called the *Sedalia Eagle*. It was issued twice a week, one being a Sunday morning edition. It was strongly republican and, when Mr. Blair was made postmaster in 1882, the paper was consolidated with the *Times* and called the *Eagle-Times*. Sloan Bros. & Kimball took charge and succeeded in sinking the ship in less than a year. The *Boonville Eagle* at an early day, was one of the most influential papers in the state.

Sometime in 1880, J. C. Parmelee started the *Evening Times*, a small afternoon republican daily. After a year's time, the proprietor concluded that he was satisfied to quit and sold to E. R. Beach, who continued its publication until the *Times* swallowed it up a few months later.

The *New Age* was a temperance journal edited by Judge Fisher and Major Corwin. It started in 1880 and continued two years.

Sedalia doubtless never before saw a more complete and artistic display of journalism than the *Sedalia Dispatch*. The plant was entirely new. John N. Edwards was editor-in-chief and kept the Promethean fires at a white heat, while Bacon Montgomery, having a personal acquaintance with almost every important person in the state, and endowed with a subtle instinct for finding news, made a city editor that was invincible. It was a democratic morning daily with an Associated Press franchise and set in small type, but the pressure was too great. After an existence of five months, the paper was abandoned.

In 1884 came the *Earth*, with Len. C. Glessner, as editor. It was a sixteen-page Saturday afternoon paper, printed on tinted book paper and set in old style type. As a model of typographical beauty, it was perfect, and its originality and literary tone gave it a deserved popularity. But "the good die young," and the *Earth* was no exception. After about a year's existence, it was gathered to its fathers.

As an outgrowth of the labor troubles, the *Labor Union* was started in 1884. Hugh Fitzgerald, an able man for the position and now of the Dallas *Times-Herald*, was its editor until G. DeBernardi assumed control in 1886 and changed its name to *Grange and Labor Union*. At the close of 1887, Samuel Archer purchased the plant and, as the *Industrialist*, made it an exponent of Union labor ideas. Labor papers were not popular at

Chas. L. Taylor

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Sedalia is here found. You are not even requested to purchase but are earnestly asked to Come and Look. Everything sold is guaranteed. Good Goods are Cheaper than Ever Before and a small amount of money will buy a really elegant article. But come and see for yourselves. It is a pleasure to show goods at all times. It will do you good to see the beautiful and useful things now shown for the first time.

Landmann, Hartshorn & Wilson,

Real Estate, Abstract and Insurance.

Office in basement Missouri Trust Building.

Bargains Offered in Sedalia and Pettis county real estate and special attention given to Abstracting, our books being one of the most complete sets in Pettis county. The leading rental agency of the city.

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that time and when E. T. Behrens gave it the title of *Truth*, in February, 1889, its failure in the following October was evidence of the fact. This branch of Sedalia journalism was established as the recognized champion of the strikers.

The *Evening News*, owned by Wm. Thornton, was an afternoon sheet that sank after a tempestuous voyage of one month in the spring of 1885. Its "cylinder press" was a marvel of invention. The forms were placed on the imposing stone for which a wooden roller of the proper width had been secured. Attached to the roller, was a large box which swung underneath the table and was filled with bricks, old plates, etc., to give sufficient weight for a legible impression.

At this time the republican party was without an advocate, and in the fall of 1886, Ed. Crawford supplied the vacancy with the present *Sentinel*. It was a semi-weekly during the campaign of 1888 and an afternoon daily from February, 1889, to April, 1890, when it resumed weekly publication. Its editor is a careful business manager and has done fairly well.

The *Onward Republican*, an afternoon can page daily, was published in the *Industrialist* office for several months during the early part of 1888. T. T. Clifford was business manager. Doubtless, here was an unrecognized opportunity for success. The newspaper field was not crowded at that time and there was room for a bright, spiky daily.

On October 31, the morning after the *Democrat's* failure, Ed. Marvin, for "one consecutive issue," gave the *Morning Star* permission to arise and shine. It was editorially stated that the paper would be continued if justified by patronage, "if otherwise—otherwise." It was otherwise.

J. W. Payne, not discouraged by recent failures, made a swift run from the city of Independence and startled the natives with the *Sedalia Herald*, an afternoon eight-column paper with a patent inside. It appeared December 7, 1888, but after two issues the editor quickly folded his tent and the place knew him no more.

In a few months John A. Hannay came from the Morgan county hills and with A. C. Baldwin, of Marshall, the old *Democrat*, Phoenix-like, was raised from the ruins and called the *Sedalia Gazette*. It was Democratic in politics and made its first appearance December 16th, 1888. Mr. Hannay retired in June, 1890. In the latter part of the same year C. H. Streit purchased an interest in the *Gazette*, and upon Mr. Baldwin's removal to Georgia in March, 1891, the paper was made republican, under which policy it has continued to the present day.

You hold the last journalistic en-

terprise, the *Evening Democrat*, in your hands. Its merits show themselves and it will be the constant endeavor of its management to increase its worth.

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A Dynamite Bomb has Fallen Among the Music Dealers.

The bankrupt stock of "Reed's Temple of Music", 184 Wabash ave., Chicago, selling below factory wholesale prices. Seventy-five pianos and organs will be shipped to Sedalia and sacrificed. Prices will be positively slaughtered. It is the opportunity of a lifetime to buy an instrument. If you expect to buy next year or the year after, it will pay you to buy now. Many of the pianos and organs are of the highest possible grade, and all are thoroughly warranted by the makers. Call and see them or send for catalogue and prices.

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(Successors to Gardella & Airola.) Sell Christmas candy at 10 cents a pound, Florida oranges, 20 cents per dozen. We have extra fine oysters, 35 cents per quart. The finest line of nuts, French assorted candy, grapes, bananas, cocoanuts and raisins. We are the cheapest fruit and oyster house in the city. 122 Ohio street, next door to First National Bank.

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In the Artistic and Highly Successful Three-Act Comedy, entitled:

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See our line of beautiful styles in easy chairs, sofas, ottomans, divans, pictures, etc., etc. Buy something useful for Christmas. New styles received daily.

S. C. Gold's Mammoth Furniture House, No. 118 and 120 East Third street, carries the finest line of furniture, chamber sets, parlor suits, chairs, desks, book cases, wardrobes, tables, couches, folding beds, and dining-room sets, and all kinds of furniture in central Missouri. Buy useful presents cheap from this elegant stock. He will not be undersold and better goods are not made. Call and see his immense line. It will repay your time and trouble.

MERTZ & HALE

is without doubt the best place to get your perfumes. No one else in Sedalia manufactures a fine line of perfumes. Their perfumes are the finest and cheapest. A trial will convince any one. They are closing out their entire line of plush goods.

Don't wait to buy if you want any Christmas candles. We have a fine line. P. Brandt Grocery Co.

HORSE TALK.

Fielding Harris, a prominent horseman of Houstonia, was on the streets to-day.

If there is any one thing Sedalia needs, worse than another, outside of good streets, manufactories and a new jail, it is a kite-shaped track.

Mr. Beamer, of Blackburn, Saline county, the owner of the great mare, Blazeberry, is a witness in the Price-Higgins trial. He is suffering with an attack of the grip.

Louis Bolton, of this city, returned last evening from Warrensburg, where he attended J. Stoner's combination stock sale. Fourteen jacks, sixteen jennets and twenty standard-bred stallions were offered by the auctioneer, but not all were sold. There was a large crowd in attendance.

H. C. Tindall, secretary of the Missouri Trotting and Pacing Horsebreeders' Association, and also the owner of the great four-year-old-trotting stallion, King Herod, and who has been visiting in Sedalia for a day or two, left for his home in Fayette yesterday. Mr. Tindall has a light attack of la grippe.

Samuel Fuller, who is fast making a reputation as the best trainer and driver of trotting horses in this state, has just made arrangements with Mr. Beamer, of Blackburn, Saline county, Mo., to handle his great trotting mare Blazeberry the coming season. This gives Mr. Fuller, in his string for next season, besides the above named animal, the two great wonders, Telegram and King Herod.

Rambler's Experience.

As I went rambling down the street, I stopped at Jacob Zanz's; I asked, "How's trade a getting on?" Said he, "We're having fun. My clerks and I are rushed to death. We don't have time to eat. The way that folks come in to trade, You never saw the heat. We were up last night till twelve o'clock. A waiting on the trade! And the way that folks did buy my goods Would lay others in the shade."

"It won't do for me to advertise 'Twould keep us up all night. For my stock of little fancy tricks Are simply 'out of sight.' If you wish to see something rich and rare," Said he, "just step back here." Of course I thought we were in for a treat. And he'd tap a keg of beer; But Jake said "No, I'm a temperance man, I've donned the ribbon blue. For me to do ought but sell my goods, Would never, never do." I didn't stop to view Jake's show; A great crowd came in the door. I thinks I to myself, if that's kept up, Somebody's bound to be sore.

Neither Take Nor Fable.

Judge D. C. Metsker has received inquiry from a prominent business man in Topeka, Kansas, as to the great coal mine recently opened near Sedalia. The correspondent has made telegraphic reports of its magnitude, in the metropolitan papers, but could hardly believe them. Judge Metzker promptly informed his friend of the genuineness of the accounts of this wonderful coal deposit.

Fine meals to order. Oysters served in style. All kinds of game or fish, lobsters or shell fish. Go to Peter Pehl's.

A Handsome Xmas Present

Would be a box of High Five cigars at Honkomp & Schmidt's

POLICE COURT.

"Red" Park was before his Honor this morning with a red head, a red eye and full of remorse from red whisky. He paid his fine of \$2.50 and went on his way rejoicing.

E. T. Bond, the deaf and dumb peddler who was fined in the court yesterday morning for being drunk, was on hand this morning with his \$100 check from a brother in Chicago and redeemed his overcoat which he had left as security for his fine.

HIS LAST DAYS.

There is one man in Sedalia who has only four days left. He is anxious to see his friends and the public generally, and anyone calling on him will be rewarded for their time and trouble. To make a long story short, this man has saved you just what you want to buy for Christmas, and if you will call and see him you will be convinced that this story is true. A large stock, courteous clerks and low prices stare you in the face as you open the door at W. H. Ramsey's Ohio street store, opposite court house.

A Number of Arrests.

All business firms, hucksters, peddlers, who have failed to take out a license, are receiving some spirited attention from City Collector Hart to-day. There are many delinquents, but the collector says it is a case of "put up or shut up."

Without a doubt P. Brandt Grocery Co. have the largest, finest selected stock of groceries west of St. Louis. Go and see for yourself. It costs you nothing. 420 Ohio street.

Collar and cuff sets at Dexter's Book Store.

Holcomb sells China.

Something New in Books.

The Review of Reviews will issue about the middle of December a brochure that is sure to create a very considerable sensation in all parts of the English-reading world. It is nothing less than a special compilation of anecdotes and materials upon apparitions and ghostly hallucinations, prepared entirely by Mr. Stead, the distinguished English editor, and issued with the assistance and approbation of the British and American societies for psychical research, of which Professor Sidgwick, of Cambridge University, England, and Professor James, of Harvard University, are in their respective countries the guiding spirits. Having been prepared by so experienced and practical a journalist as Mr. Stead it is needless to remark that the book is readable from beginning to end. It contains a rather amusing prefatory warning which suggests that "the narratives printed in these pages had better not be read by any one of tender years, of morbid excitability, or of excessively nervous temperament." It is not the purpose of the book to increase the sway of superstition over men's minds, but rather to show that there are many obscure and difficult subjects which are legitimate field for scientific research, and about which it may be possible to learn a great deal that will in some way be of value to the human race in its upward and onward progress.

La Grippe.

With even worse suffering and more fatal cases than ever before is still spreading over the entire country. We are told the wise take warning and avoid danger; the foolish pass on and are punished. We sound another warning. Fortify the system against, and escape its fatal effects. Remember the only remedy on record that has been able to cope with it, or stay even in a measure its ravages is The Great Vitalizer, McFarland's German System Tonic. Sold by all druggists.

PERSONALS.

Justice Milo Blair is in bed with la grippe.

Col. John S. Elliott was in Sedalia this morning.

Capt. F. P. Bronaugh of Boonville, was in the city this morning.

Miss Eva Quick, a young lady operator from Atchison, Kas., is in the city.

Ed. Lyon, of the depot force, has returned from a visit with relatives in St. Louis.

Mrs. Charley Buckner, of Kansas City, a sister of Judge Higgins, is attending the trial.

A. D. Howard, of Boonville, representing the Dwight Soda Co., came in from the north this morning.

Elder Wilkes, the popular young pastor of the Christian church at Boonville, was in Sedalia this morning.

J. G. Perdue returned this morning from Green Ridge and reports his father, Judge Perdue, as still quite ill.

Forrest Shannon, formerly proprietor of the Fifth Avenue hotel, Kansas City, is registered at Sichert's.

James A. Montgomery, manager of the Sedalia Gas and Electric Light Co., returned from Moberly this morning.

Miss Cammie Reed, a charming young lady from Otterville, arrived in the city this afternoon to visit friends.

Jim Mercer, foreman of the Missouri Pacific round house, has been laid up with la grippe for two weeks. A. J. White is in charge.

Robert Johns returned home this afternoon to spend the holidays. He has been attending Wabash college at Crawfordsville, Ind.

Preaching in Central Presbyterian church to-morrow morning, theme: "The Eagle's Nest." In the evening a Gospel temperance meeting will be held.

Miss Stella Johnson, an accomplished young lady from Warrensburg, arrived yesterday and is the guest of Miss Minnie Harrison at 122 Ohio street.

Master Charles Hatfield, only son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hatfield, who has been attending the De Pauw military academy at Greencastle, Ind., is here to spend the holidays.

The following ladies who attended the grand ball at Sweet Springs last night, are registered at Sichert's: Mrs. J. P. Camady, St. Louis; Miss Leon Harold, Ft. Worth; Miss Georgia Gage, Parsons; Mrs. E. L. Shultz, Denver; Mrs. Label Green, Ft. Worth, and Mrs. J. M. Dixon, Springfield.

In a letter received by a friend, Fred Riecht, lately with Aug. T. Fleischmann, states that he is much pleased with Wichita and is doing a good drug business. A more popular young man never left Sedalia and his success is gratifying to his host of friends. Fred says that Wichita has more handsome young ladies than one could count in a year.

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

First Congregational Church.

The Rev. B. F. Boller will take for his theme in the morning: "The first Christmas and the last Christmas Gift." In the evening the subject will be "The Great Reformation." Good music and a hearty welcome. All seats are free.

Music Service.

There will be a special musical service at the Broadway Presbyterian church on Sunday morning and evening, December 27. As the choir there is one of the finest in Sedalia, something excellent may be expected.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Rev. A. H. Stephens will preach in the Cumberland Presbyterian church to-morrow morning. Subject, "The Usual and the Unusual." Evening subject, "The Temptations of the Season." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Endeavor meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Boys meeting Sunday at 2 p. m. will be addressed by Mr. J. M. Hill. Music by the "Boys' orchestra."

There will be a gospel meeting for men only in the rooms Sunday at 3 p. m. Mr. Percy Harker will address the meeting. All are cordially invited to be present.

The gymnasium is proving a great attraction, as it should. The managers are determined to do everything in their power for the boys and young men who attend it.

On Christmas day at 2:30 p. m. there will be an apple scramble at the Y. M. C. A. for the boys who are members. The apples will be tossed up in the gymnasium, when a general scramble will ensue for them. After all the apples have been disposed of in this way, the boys will adjourn to the parlors where a paring contest will take place. To the member securing the longest unbroken peeling, a year's membership in the association will be given free.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Young Jim Blaine's divorce case is on trial in New York.

The New York grand jury has indicted Edward M. Field, charging him with forging in the second degree.

Prof. R. M. Ramsey, for years principal of a large school at Sweetwater, Tenn., committed suicide at Chattanooga yesterday.

A movement has been inaugurated by Secretary Rush and several senators to ship large quantities of corn to famine stricken Russia.

At Lincoln, Nebraska, Robert T. Barrett, farmer, was acquitted, on the ground of self-defense, for the killing of Book Agent Hayes.

Lady Deros, the last survivor of those who danced at the celebrated ball the night before the battle of Waterloo, died in London yesterday.

The Liverpool chamber of commerce has decided to make no exhibit at the World's Fair. The reason assigned is that the McKinley bill has injured the British merchants.

Rival democratic tickets are in the field in Louisiana, and the republicans are dickering with the anti-lottery faction, who bolted the regular convention. The regular ticket is headed by Ex-Gov. McEnery.

Henry Beneke, general agent of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co., was asphyxiated in a St. Joseph hotel, and was found dead in his bed at noon yesterday. In turning out the gas he turned the thumb-screw too far and the gas escaped in volume sufficient to cause his death.

At Weiss's on the Way.

If you wish your hair cut neat,
And yourself fixed up complete,
Just stop in at Weiss's on the way,
And he'll dress you up so nice
That you'll think you've been shaved twice.
If you'll stop in at Weiss's on the way,
Every minute they call "rent!"
So that nothing is complicated,
Down at Weiss's on the way,
Just keep your seat awhile
And they'll fix you up in style,
Down at Weiss's on the way.
His number's two and twenty,
We suppose that this is plenty
Down at Weiss's on the way,
For it's a very greater,
You'd love to hold your tater.
Down at Weiss's on the way.
Now if you "haint" the money,
You might think it very funny,
To stop in at Weiss's on the way,
But it's best to pay the cash,
Then you can cut your dash,
When they dress you up so neat at
Weiss's on the way.

Sweet Gum Arabic.

To make gum arabic that will remain sweet, dissolve one pound of gum arabic in one pint of boiling water, adding a piece of borax the size of a nut. Pour into a large-mouthed bottle; shake once or twice every day for four days, and then add one tablespoonful of alcohol.

Electrically Heated Flatirons.

Among recent inventions it is noted that electricity is now in use for heating flatirons used by tailors, and its employment in therapeutics is constantly on the increase.

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Stamps can be found at the following places: August T. Fleischmann, Chris. Hye, C. Eckhoff, W. Z. Baum, Charles S. Dexter, Overstreet & Williams, W. S. Young, C. S. Boatright, Otis Smith, W. J. Letts and W. H. Ramsey.

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Good Coal at Sweet's, 711 Ohio st., at \$3 a ton.

We want you to see what we have to sell. Come join the crowd. Dexter's Book store.

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Only a few of our \$3.00 bibles left, they are cheap at \$5.00, and a bargain at what we sell them for. Don't wait too long. Dexter's Book Store.

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Go home via the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway and spend the holidays with your family and friends. The M., K. & T. Ry. will provide you with Free Reclining Chair Cars, as well as Perfect Pullman Buffet Sleeper Car Service, and make you a rate of One Fare for the round trip, for a distance not greater than 200 miles.

Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24th, 25th and 26th, and Jan. 1st, 1892, all good to return until Jan. 4th.

For rates, maps, time tables or other information, call on or address,

H. L. BERRY, Ticket Agent M., K. & T. Ry. Sedalia, Mo.

A. S. DODGE, Traffic Manager, St. Louis, Mo.

W. G. GRAHAM, G. P. A. Sedalia, Mo.

E. B. PARKER, A. G. P. Ag't., 309 Chestnut St., St. Louis, Mo.

Fur for Small Garments.

Brown fur will be much used for small garments such as Henri 17, pelermes, cape collars with stole fronts, boas and muffis, also for rolls and edgings to wraps and portions of hand-some cloth costumes. Sets of gray Persian lambkins, with otter or seal trimmings, are pretty for youthful wearers. Dark gray bear fur is made into capes that have real astrakhan yokes and collars. These are very warm and comfortable, and can be worn all winter with muff and long fur cuffs to match. Many women have this year had their short sealskin coats made the fashionable length by the addition of real black astrakhan basques, vests, etc. Sometimes entire sleeves of astrakhan are added.

Bengaline's Continued Popularity.

Bengaline is reduced in price, but the popularity of this fabric is still evident, as gowns, wraps and trousseaus, imported or made at our best American houses, are formed wholly of the silk, or combined with wool or velvet. In some dainty bengaline resembles Irish poplin, but it possesses more pliability, and can consequently be arranged in folds which poplin may perhaps be induced to take, but which it refuses to retain. Bengaline combined with shot velvet forms some of the handsomest gowns of the season.

THE WEATHER.

Weather for Missouri for twenty-four hours beginning at 8 a. m. to-day: Warmer; Fair to-day and Sunday; southerly winds.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

We will be glad to see all our country friends and make friends of others. Come, see us anyway, if you don't need anything in our line.

DEXTER'S BOOK STORE.

See our Goods and compare prices. We are here, our chairs our Parlor Goods are immense. We have only one price to all; no shoddy goods on hand; only one price and best wishes to all; largest line, lowest prices. See them—buy them, for they are going fast. Dave Ramsey, 116 and 1182d st., Undertaker and Embalmer. No ice, and modern methods.

See our fine Albums. Sold at less than wholesale price.

Dexter's Book Store.

Elegant hand-painted book marks. Dexter's Book Store.

Holcomb will arrange his auction store Monday so that all can find room to be comfortable.

Dexter's book store is 40 feet longer and packed with goods.

Read all of Dexter's book store notices. They are important.

Farmers, we will show you a fine line of goods at any price you want. Dexter's Book Store.

We never were so crowded with stock. Dexter's Book Store.

Sedalia Carpet Company has a fine line of Fancy Goods suitable for Christmas presents. Come and see them.

For fine old Whisky or Brandy, ect, something for the holidays, call at Peter Pehl's.

Our First Issue.

We advise all our patrons to go to Dave Ramsay for furniture. He has the stock and prices; he sells the goods. See his stock before you buy. His elegant line catches the eye. See him; buy of him. He will save you money. Undertaker and embalmer; no ice used; modern methods; open day and night. 116 & 118 2nd st.

Holcomb sells Toys.

The Finest in the Town.

At Zimmerman's and Son, You'll find things on the hum, And its business-like to see the wheels go round; They do their work so neat, And "you bet" they can't be beat, For they run the finest laundry in this Sedalia town.

They started in with grit, And they've got it with "it" To do the work of all the country round. They've built up a splendid trade And laid others in the shade, 'Cause they run the finest laundry in this Sedalia town.

Now, if you're a little lazy, And are 'fraid that you'll go crazy If you look at so many wheels go round, Just ring one and fifty-four, And they'll come right to your door And take your clothes to THE laundry of this Sedalia town.

This town used to be a plight, But now she's "out of sight" By keeping herself neat and clean all the good year round. So we must take our turn And patronize this firm, For they run the finest laundry in this Sedalia town.

Here in February.

Temperance Apostle T. E. Murphy and his father, the famous Francis Murphy, who are now working on the Pacific coast, will be in Sedalia about the middle of February and will renew the temperance work here. They also propose to make this place headquarters during a series of temperance meetings which they will conduct in the central part of Missouri.

Who Gets the Premium?

An opportunity for the ladies to try their skill as bread makers. I will give a premium of fifteen dollars to the lady who makes the finest bread from Patent flour, manufactured by me. The above bread is to be made from hop yeast. I will also give a premium of five dollars for the best salt rising bread made from the same brand of flour. Mr. Fleichman has readily consented to allow the exhibit to be made in his store. The premium will be awarded on January 15, and all bread must be delivered on that day. Remember the name of the flour, "Fancy Patent," there is none better. Try it and be convinced of this fact. Respectfully, B. S. REMBAUGH.

No Mass Meeting.

A grand Murphy temperance mass meeting was advertised to be held at the court house last night, but, owing to a misunderstanding as to securing a room, the affair was postponed. Instead of this a Murphy club was organized in East Sedalia, Doc Gross being elected president.

Follow the Crowd

At Heinrichs', "My Jeweler," for presents.

You can get presents from 5c to \$50.00 for single piece at Dexter's Book Store.

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A PAIR THAT'S HARD TO BEAT!

Of all combinations that are hard to beat, the strutting turkey and the steaming pudding come pretty near being the most invincible. They are formidable aspirants for public favor in these festive days—but even

Leaders Are Occasionally Led!

AND WE WILL MATCH OUR

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Its Brilliancy--Its Variety--Its Elegance.

The Most Bewildering Variety Ever Shown to Make Your Purchases for the Holiday Presents!

It's Essential to Buy a Useful as Well as Ornamental Gift. We Invite the Public at Large to

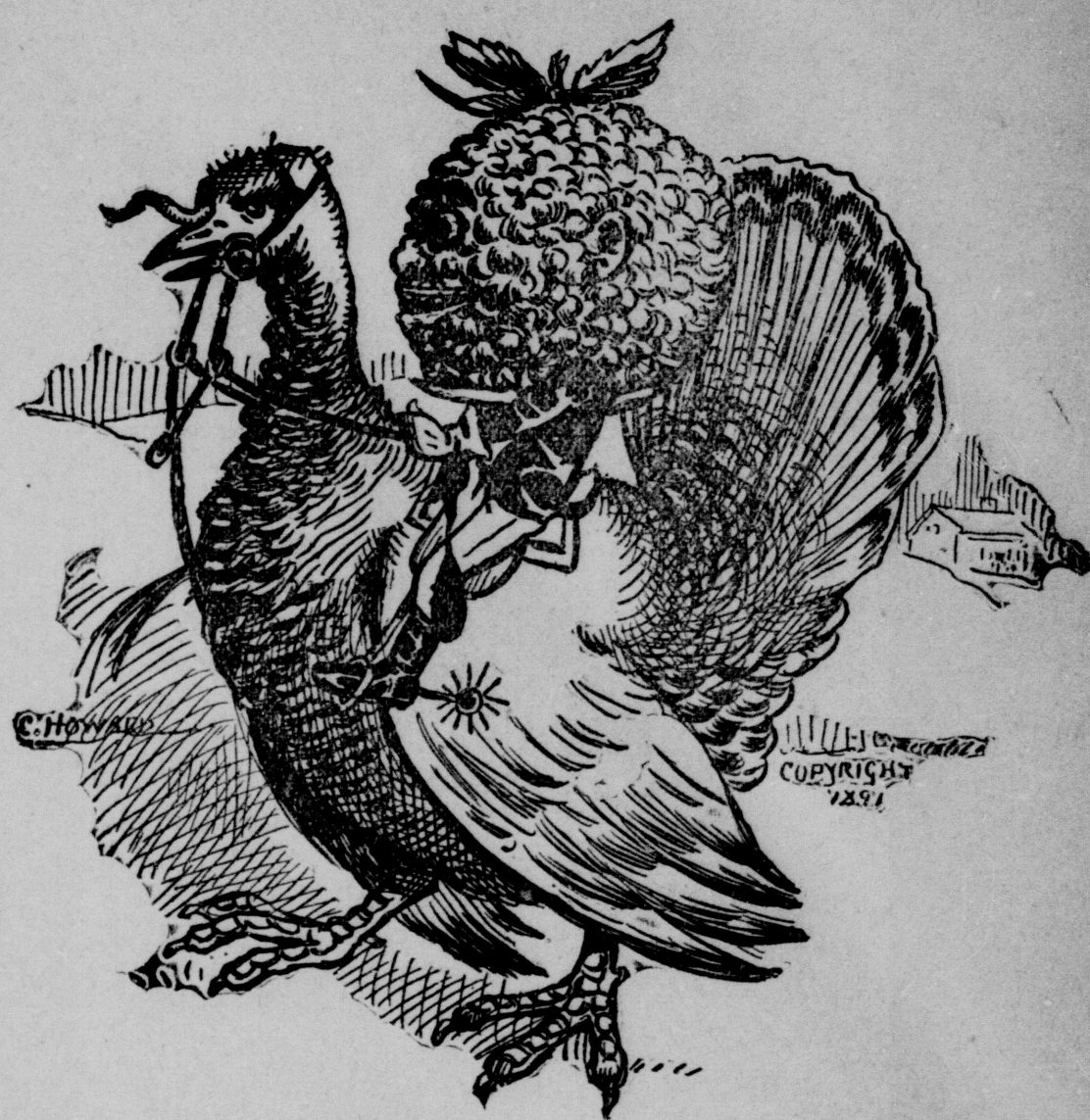
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ST. LOUIS CLOTHING CO.,

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A Grand Success.

The dress ball given by the students of the Marmaduke Military academy at Sweet Springs last night was a largely attended and extremely pleasant event. The academy grounds and building were brilliantly lighted by colored electric lights.

The toilets were elaborate and beautiful, several young ladies making their debut into society.

The banquet was a sumptuous one and was furnished by Sicher. Dancing was kept up until a late hour to the music of Prof. Gregg's orchestra.

Many of those present were from a distance, coming from Marshall, Topeka, Ottawa, Denver and Indianapolis.

For Bargains

Always see "My Jeweler" before you buy, in watches, rings, etc., next to postoffice.

Banquet at Boonville.

From Colonel John Devine, of Clifton City, who was in Boonville Friday night, and who arrived in Sedalia this morning, a DEMOCRAT reporter learned that a grand banquet was tendered Gov. Francis and several other state officials in the Vine Clad city last evening under the auspices of the local Masonic fraternity. The occasion is spoken of as one of the happiest ever enjoyed in the beautiful city on the banks of the Big Muddy.

See the Tunnel

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Don't forget us. We have groceries and feed cheap for cash every day in the year. Call! We want to see you.

CONNER & GRESHAM,
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James O'Brien, the leading cigar manufacturer of Central Missouri.

See Sedalia Marble Works, Clay & Heynen, before you buy a Monument or Tombstone.

Tail End Collision.

A tail end collision occurred on the Missouri Pacific last night between Pacific and St. Louis. A large number of cars were smashed up and much damage done by a fire that started in the wreck. Engineer Joe Hull was badly cut about the head and limbs and two brakemen severely bruised.

We take pleasure in showing goods. DEXTER'S BOOK STORE.

RAILROAD RUMBLE.

Detective John DeLong came in from the west this morning.

J. R. Ellis, a switchman from Denison, was admitted with a badly lacerated hand.

Louis Ames passed through today to his home at Ottaville where he will spend Sunday.

Edwin Adams, the genial solicitor of the St. L. & H. railway, is booming his business in the city.

D. Williams and W. Waterhouse, both having been cured of la grippe, were discharged and sent to Parsons.

J. D. Gibbs the switchman injured at Higbee yesterday, is thought to be seriously injured. His left arm is badly broken and his hip severely contused.

W. R. Kirkpatrick came in from Denison this morning and will visit his family for several days. Mr. Kirkpatrick is a former well known conductor on the west end, but is now running out of Denison on the Choctaw division of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas.

Japanese goods only shown at Dexter's Book Store.

The School is Flourishing.

Hon. John R. Walker, a prominent Boonville attorney and secretary of the Missouri Reform School Board, was at Sicher's this morning, being on his way home from Kansas City. Mr. Walker reports the school as in excellent condition, and says that the several Pettis county boys therein confined are doing well.

Toilet sets for \$1.25 at Dexter's book store.

Great Slaughter!

All kinds fresh meat and kettle rendered lard; fresh fish every Friday at Canning Bros., 1108 E. 3rd st.

Traveling sets for gentlemen at Dexter's book store.

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Mills' Health Improved.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Mr. Mills' health is very much improved to-day and his complete recovery is looked for in a short time.

Building blocks at Dexter's Book Store. Any price.

He Takes the Greatest Pleasure in Showing You Around.

If you want to see a treat And you don't care to get beat Just step in at Ramsey's while up town. He flies up like a kite His goods are "Out of sight," And he'll take the greatest pleasure in showing you around. If you want a manicure set Or a toilet box "you bet" You will find it at his mammoth store up town.

But perhaps you're hard to please. If so, step up with ease And he'll take the greatest pleasure in showing you around.

Now if you'll only stop to think Before you reach the brink Of his great big fancy notion store up town, That you'll find things rich and rare And for prices he don't care

And he'll take the greatest pleasure in showing you around. Now don't wait till it's too late, For a lower, better rate On his stock of fancy notion goods up town But step in just for fun and see what can be done.

For he'll take the greatest pleasure in showing around.

Engagement Cancelled.

Dr. H. W. Wood this evening cancelled the engagement with Cleveland's Minstrels, who were to have appeared here next Wednesday evening.

Go to Clay & Heynen's, North Ohio st., for Monuments and Tombstones.

We will save you money if you buy raisins, currants, citron, orange and lemon peel of us. P. Brant Grocery Co.

See the new album at Dexter's Book Store.

Holcomb sells tricycles.

Go to 204 Ohio street, buy a box of Boquets from Honkomp & Schmidt's and make your friend a handsome Xmas present.

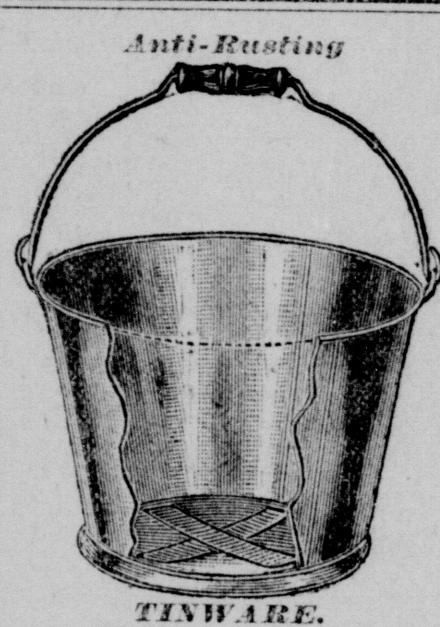
Pianos Tuned.

Prof. F. C. Billings has changed his headquarters from Moberly to Sedalia and orders left with John Stark & Son, Sedalia, and A. H. Sauter, Boonville, will be attended to.

Get some of those fine Chip Candies that are made by Sicher's.

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Reduced Prices on All Goods.

This includes Holiday goods as well as our regular line of Notions, Shoes & Tinware.

Jan. 1st we will move one block south from our present location. Price Our Goods Before Purchasing.

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222 Ohio St.

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at 1107 East 3rd street.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas Ry.

SOUTHBOUND.	MAIN LINE.	Arrive.	Leave.
No. 1, Texas Express,	5:45 p. m.	6:15 p. m.	
No. 3, " "	8:55 a. m.	9:15 a. m.	
NORTHBOUND.	MAIN LINE.	Arrive.	Leave.
No. 2, Texas Express,	8:15 a. m.	10:40 a. m.	
No. 4, Chicago Exp's,	5:50 p. m.	6:10 p. m.	

Sedalia, Warsaw and Southern.

NORTH BOUND.	Arrives.
No. 200, Accommodation,	9:45 a. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	Leaves.
No. 199, Accommodation,	4:15 p. m.

Missouri Pacific Ry.

MAIN LINE.	Arrive.	Leave.	WESTBOUND.
No. 1 Day Express,	3:25 p. m.	3:35 p. m.	
No. 3 Night Express,	3:45 a. m.	3:25 a. m.	
No. 5 Local Pass'g'r,	3:45 p. m.	12:01 a. m.	
No. 7 Fast Mail,	7:55 a. m.	8:00 a. m.	
No. 9 Texas Express,	4:55 a. m.		
No. 7 does not carry passengers.			

MAIN LINE.	Arrive.	Leave.	EASTBOUND.
No. 2 Day Express,	12:35 p. m.	12:40 p. m.	
No. 4 Night Expr's,	11:55 p. m.	12:01 a. m.	
No. 6 Local Pass'g'r,	10:40 a. m.	10:45 a. m.	
No. 8 Night Expr's,	12:40 a. m.	12:45 a. m.	

Lexington Branch.

WESTBOUND.	Arrive.	Leave.
No. 193 Colorado Exp's	5:05 a. m.	
No. 191 Local Pass'g'r,	3:45 p. m.	
No. 197 Local Freight,	10:55 a. m.	
EASTBOUND.	Arrive.	Leave.
No. 192 St. Louis Exp's,	10:30 a. m.	
No. 194 Local Pass'g'r,	10:30 p. m.	